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### WASHINGTON, D. C., WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 1921-TWENTY-SIX PAGES.

# PLANS TO REGROUP U.S. DEPARTMENTS READY IN TEN DAYS

President and Cabinet to Have General Scheme by That Time.

WAR AND NAVY MERGER PROVIDED IN PROPOSAL

Difficulties of Task Increased by Efforts of Branches to Hold Various Bureaus Unmolested.

Within the next ten days President Harding and his cabinet will have before them for consideration the general scheme for regrouping of the various government-departments, bureaus and other agencies as prepared by the joint congressional committee on reorganization. This fact was made known at the White House to-day following a conference between the President and Walter F. Brown.

chairman of the reorganization committee.

It was stated further that unless the plans of the committee meet with some unexpected delays or obstacles a general bill providing the first concise and positive step in reorganizing the government will be before Congress for action within thirty days. That the committee has made such headway in the short time it has been in existence caused much favorable comment at the White House. And, according to those who are in a position to know, the plan as it is being whipped into final shape is thorough and complete. Its recommendations will be of a practical nature and with the sole object in view of increasing efficiency and reducing expenses.

Merging Departments First.

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IMMIE AT HEARING

PRESIDENT OF POLAND

ESCAPES ASSASSIN'S

BULLETS IN HIS HOME

By the Associated Press.

COPENHAGEN. July 12

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It is understood that the most important change provided for in the plan calls for the consolidation of the War and Navy departments under one head. These large and expensive departments will be taken over by what will be known as the Department of National Defense. Chairman Brown is of the opinion that this consolidation will result in the greatest individual saving of any of the many other changes and reallocations recommended. The proposed consolidation of the various departmental investigation agencies, including the United States secret service, also will tend to cut a considerable amount of money spent annually for this work and, according to members of the committee, cannot but help improve the efficiency.

The investigation work of the government in all likelihood will be turned over to the Department—of—ustice, as will the prohibition enforcement. Both Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and Prohibition Director Haynes are in favor of this. Merging Departments First.

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Difficult Task Faced.

The committee is occupied now principally with the allocation of the many bureaus of the different government departments, some of them overlapping in their authority and duplicating their efforts. This task is a difficult one, inasmuch as each department is of the opinion that its bureau should not be molested.

Although the committee could not today furnish even a rough estimate of the adoption of its general plan, it is intimated that the reduction in employes will not be as great as at first expected. It is understood that comparatively few reductions will be provided in the general plan, will call for the dropping of many employes, according to members of the committee.

Tribunal May Be Created.

Chairman Brown on leaving the Tribunal May Be Created.

Chairman Brown on leaving the White House intimated that the committee eventually would recommend creations of a permanent tribunal or commission or bureau to take over the future handling of the reorgani-zation part of the government's work. The President and his cabinet look

appointment has been the subject of heated discussions and dissensions among the agrarians, who have been fighting to have their own man in Washington.

Public opinion, however, and the ad-

Public opinion, however, and the advice given by both American and Bul-garian friends in the United States finally prevailed, and the premier de-clared that the question had at last been decided by the ministerial council in favor of Prof. Panaretoff.

## PLANES SINK DESTROYER, REPLY FROM JAPAN BUT TWO FAIL TO RETURN

Flyers Searching Sea for Missing Aircraft. Martin Bomber Sends Former German Warship to the Bottom.

First Boy in History in Such a

Role—Urges Nature

Study.

For the first time in the history of the United States government, as far as the oldest old-timer can recall, a boy had a hearing today before a congressional committee. "Jimmie" Bradley is the boy, and he, on behalf of 60,000 school children and the John Burroughs Club, used that an appropriation be kent

urged that an appropriation be kept in the District of Columbia budget for nature study work in the schools

see some real nature."

In his plea "Jimmie" said:

Speech to Representatives.

"In view of the many new itms to

rest of them are without nature study in the schools.

Effect on Children. "To illustrate what effect has been made on school children. Last year boys and girls staged an exhibit for a month at the J. O. Wilson Normal

By the Associated Press.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va.. July 13.—
The former German destroyer G-102 was sunk at 10:40 o'clock this morning by a Martin bomber from Langley Field.

Nearly two hours after the return of the bombing expedition, two airplanes, a Martin bomber and a scout plane, were missing from the station at 1 o'clock. Destroyers and airplanes are searching for them. Another Martin bomber was forced to turn back and two scout planes made forced landings when their gas gave out, but made land safely.

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Scores of small bombs were dropped for experimental purpose before the big bombers went into operation. The DH machines did not get a chance to take part in the attack. All machines are on their way to their bases.

A hail of bombs rained down on the old German destroyer shortly before 10 o'clock, according to reports reaching Langley Field. No attempt was made, it is said, to see how quickly the destroyer could be sent to the bottom. The first tests were made with bombs carrying as little as 300 pounds of explosives.

The test was being eagerly observed by experts of both the Army and the Navy.

Between fifty-five and sixty planes, most of them air machines, took part

patch to the Berlingske Tidende from Warsaw today says it has been learned an attempt was made to assassinate President Pilsudski of Poland, and that the police have run down a plot to overthrow the present Polish government.

The authorities, says the message, are maintaining the utmost reserve with regard to the affair, but it appears that a man had forced himself into President Pilsudski's room and fired several shots. A number of arrests have been made.

There is some similarity between the circumstances narrated in the foregoing dispatch and those described in a Warsaw message of June 28, which told of an attempt by an apparently unbaismed man to gain admission to the presidential palace in the Polish capital. Several shots were fired by the man, it was stated, after he had been refused admittance to the palace, and while the police were overpowering him one member of the force was wounded.

A convention hall by Christmas. That is what Robert N. Harper and That is what Robert N. Harper and questions of the agenda, which it was a committee representing the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants and should also go to France to attend the Manufacturers' Association expect to coming sittings of the supreme allied accomplish for Washington in a council on the Silesian problem. accomplish for Washington in a be asked for by the board of educa- whirlwind financing and construction of the District of Columbia for tion campaign.

tion of the District of Columbia for the years 1922-1923, it is feared by the years 1

other structures owned or leased by the government.

"I am thoroughly in sympathy with the plan of Mr. Harper and his associates," said Senator Smoot, "and will do all that I can to help them obtain the site they desire. It will take several days to make a survey of the building situation, and I am not sure that it will be possible to locate the offices now occupying this site in other buildings. But if it is possible to make the transfer withbut detriment to government work I shall be in favor of making the site available for a convention hall, which is one of Washington's great needs."

Plan to Raise \$300,000.

TURKS WILL USE NEUTRAL

ZONE IF THE GREEKS DO

Kemal, Leader of Nationalists,
Sends Warning to Allied
Commission.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 13.—The allied high commission here has received a note from Mustapha Kemal Pasha, leader of the Turkish nationalists, warning it that if there should be any evidence of the Greeks making use of Constantinople, or other points in the neutral zone, in their operations against the nationalists, the latter will be obliged.

YUKON VOTES FOR LIQUOR.

DAWSON, Y. T., July 12.—The Yukon territory voted down the sale of liquor for everage purposes, it was learned tonight, when the counting of ballots was completed. Total returns gave the liquor forces a lead of more than two to one in 1930 the territory voted down the sale of liquor law.

The sends was made on and work in the sales and change the status of the present liquor law.

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# AWAITED FOR NEXT STEP IN DISARMING

Preliminary Work on Details of Conference Already in Progress.

REPORTS OF NEW PARLEY ON PACIFIC DISCOUNTED

British Here Believe Question Will

Replies of the other powers addressed-Italy, Japan and China, are expected shortly and preliminary work at the department on details of the conference in the way of suggestions as to the time and place of the meetings is in progress. It has been indicated, however, that the selection of Armistice day, November 11, as the opening date for the sessions to be held in Washington, would not be pressed until all replies were in hand. Mr. Hughes Sees President.

Press reports from London that holding of the conferences as to Pacific questions in the British capi-Pacific questions in the British capital instead of Washington was being suggested there were not taken very scriously in British circles here. It was stated that no such proposal had come to the embassy.

Ecorotary Hughes conferred with President Harding at the White House early in the day, but the object of his visit was not disclosed. Announcement of the receipt of the British reply was made shortly after his call, however.

SEPARATE MEETING HINTED. Dominion Premiers Press Issue for

Decision in Pacific. LONDON, July 12 (Canadian Press).

In consequence of official conversations which took place here today it is considered not improbable that the British government will make an effort to have a separate conference on Pacific problems in London before the Washington conference on armament limitations takes place. The original idea held here was that both conferences should be held in Washington, the first dealing with disarmament and embracing all of the great powers, and the second, arising out of the first, to be confined to nations having an especial interest. in the Pacific.

Hughes and Massey Object. Premier Hughes of Australia and Premier Hughes of Australia and Premier Massey of New Zealand, however, have put forward an objection, pointing out that it would be virtually impossible for them to go home and then return to Washington almost immediately. They ask, therefore, that the Pacific conference, in which they have such a vital interest, should be made to meet their convenience.

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NOTED MEN TO ATTEND.

Balfour and Beatty Mentioned With Lloyd George and Briand. By the Associated Press.

LONDON, July 13 .- Three of the principal allied nations—Great Britain, France and Italy—have officially signified their acceptance of President Harding's invitation to hold a conference on limitation of, armaments,

Today's News

conditions in Great Britain are such as
to permit his extended absence from the
country.

Leaders Are Mentioned.

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It is probable, however, that some of the leading figures in British official life will be present. Among those mentioned as delegates are A. J. Balfour, lord president of the council; Lord Lee of Fareham, first lord of the admiraity; Sir Laming Worthington Evans, secretary of state for war; Admiral Lord Beatty and Viscount Grey.

Advices from Paris state that the commission for reduction of armaments appointed by the league of nations will probably hold only a brief session in that city on Saturday. Rene Viviani, president of the commission, is understood to favor an immediate adjournment, although such action would be upon the initiative of the council of the league. It seems probable, however, that President Harding's proposal for a conference on steps toward disarmament would be the dominant feature of Saturday's meeting.

**GENERAL TAX REVISION** TO FOLLOW ON HEELS OF TARIFF MEASURE

A general tax revision bill will be reported from the House ways and means committee within two weeks after passage of the tariff bill, Representative Longworth, republican, Ohio, a member of the committee, told the House yesterday during debate on the tariff bill. Republican leaders predicted the tax measure would be passed before the middle of August.



# NAMES MAY OFFER **GAMBLING CLUES**

Local Police Hope to Obtain 300 Addresses in "House of Mystery" Records.

Records seized by the Montgomery county. Md., authorities in the raid on the "House of Mystery." 8 Leland street, Chevy Chase, Md., Tuesday afternoon, probably will provide the Washington police with much ma terial for a general grand jury investigation of the handbook business in this city.

Members of the local police squad in charge of handbook investiga-tions hope to get at least 300 names and addresses of alleged players and addresses of alleged players from the records taken from the Chevy Chase house, where John B. Keleher and Milton S. Cooley were arrested. One slip containing about two dozen names mysteriously disappeared after it was seized by the Maryland authorities, it is stated. To Go Before Grand Jury.

It is planned by Maj. Gessford's squad to have Assistant United States Attorney Paul B. Cromelin, who has

Should many of the witnesses admit playing the races with local alleged handbook men or their runners, it is stated, the police will ask indictments in every instance, in which such testimony is given. The number of such testimony is given. The number of indictments they will be able to procure is problematical, but the police feel reasonably certain that the number will be large—possibly more than one hundred.

Cases in Montgomery County. Judge Edward C. Peter has under consideration the request of State's Attorney Thomas Dawson for reconvening the session of the Montgomery county grand jery to hear testimony respecting the handbook raid and the raid on the home of the Mohican Club reary two weeks ago. The judge it neary two weeks ago. The judge, it is stated, has not indicated what ac-

### MAN, WIFE AND DAUGHTER **BADLY HACKED WITH AX**

Found in Bed, Mutilated and Unconscious-Expected to Die. e

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 13 .- An

President asks Secretary Hughes to work out substitute for Versailles treaty in making peace with Germany.

Police seek man for raising milk and Presiding bishop and council of Episco-pal Church in session here. Page 2

### PRESENT COMMISSION OPPOSES ZONE SYSTEM OBREGON INVITES

Members Consider That Measured Service Is Impracticable for

The Public Utilities Commission, as now constituted, will not adopt a zone Proposes Joint Commission system of street car fares, it was reliably indicated at the District building

Aside from the theoretical justice of charging the passenger who rides three miles more than the patron who is carried a mile, it is understood that members of the commission regard measured service as impractical phases of the situation, which, it is pointed out, tend to offset the fairness of measured service as a theory.

Countries Make.

By the Associated Press.

MEXICO CITY. July 13.—All countries whose nationals have suffered damage from Mexican revolutions have been invited by President Obreservice as a theory.

charge of gambling prosecutions, summon before the grand jury every man whose name appears on the records. Addresses of many of the men appear on the seized records, it is

Six Hundred Woman Em-

ployes to Lose Jobs July

15, Director Says.

Reduction of the operating force of the bureau of engraving and printing only only begin on July 15, when approximately only will begin on July 15, when approximately only will be the first to go, then single girls who are not entirely dependent on themselves and then others until the necessary number are eliminated. Director Wilmeth said today that per would hurt least, and to that per who was having inquiries made among the members of the force affected by the members of the senate met in secret session.

The entire session of the cabinet on Tuesday night is said, to have been occupied by a discussion of this plan, and it was decided it was unnecessary to fee the subject. Members of the subject was unnecessary to fee the subject when that a separate treaty with Germany. Some of the legal experts believe that a separate treaty with Germany. Some of the legal experts believe that a separate treaty with Germany. Some of the legal experts believe that a separate treaty with Germany. The end of the subject was unnecessary to fee the subject of the

while China has indicated her readiness to participate in a conference relative to far eastern affairs. Japan is the only one of the allies which has not placed herself on record as being ready to take part in the Washington conference, but it is expected in official circles here that her acceptance will be communicated to the United will be communicated to the United in government circles in this city it appears to be the consensus of opinion that the meeting at Washington will be attended by some of the most prominent statesmen of the world. The announce-statesmen of the world. The statesmen of the world. The statesmen of the worl

in Paragraphs Since March, according to the director, efforts have been made to get the force back to normal, so that it Senator Smoot promises aid in obtaining site for convention hall for District of Columbia.

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Police seek gambling clues in house of mystery records.

New step in disarmament proposal awaits reply of Japan.

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# PARLEY ON CLAIMS

to Settle Demands Other

service as a theory.

The growth of the city beyond the first zone would come almost to a standstill, it is argued, if builders and home buyers knew two fares would be required to reach the outlying sections.

The invitation was issued in the first control of a presidential decree promul-

legations request the diplomats to inform the nations interested that Mexico is "disposed to enter into arrangements with foreign governments looking to the equitable indemnification of persons who suffered damage because of revolutions in Mexico from 1910 to the present time.

President Obrego", in issuing his decree, is declared to have been "inspired by a desire to act in accordance with the precepts of international law." He is understood to have requested the foreign office to extend "a cordial invitation to all interested" quested the foreign office to extend "a cordial invitation to all interested

Mexican Commander in Oil Region

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No printers are to be affected by the
proposed lay-off, practically all being
will be in the mechanical or operating
branches of the bureau, it was said.

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TAMPICO, July 12.—Gen. Arnulfo
R. Gomez dent day that the United
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had be President Harding today visited Corcorn gallery to see work of artist who is painting his portrait. Page 5

Aviator W. A. Ross claims government delays teeting his invention to put out fires on airplanes. Page 7

President given unique chair by newspaper editors.

Federation of citizens will ask sevencent fare.

Convention hall plans advanced by Merchants and Manufacturers Association.

Director Dawes directs reduction in printing cost at government printing office.

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# PRESIDENT ASKS HUGHES TO WORK **OUT PEACE-TREATY**

TWO CENTS:

sailles Pact in Dealing With Germany.

Requests Substitute for Ver-

OPPOSING SENATORS

U. S. Rights Under Allied Plan

HOPING TO SATISFY

Make Latest Move Most Difficult.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.

President Harding has asked Secreary Hughes to work out an alternative proposition to that of the Versailles

This doesn't mean that the President has rejected the idea of submitting the Versailles pact, with reservations, but it does mean that Mr. Harding feels the does mean that Mr. Harding feels the necessity of exhausting every legal resource that might accomplish peace with Germany and yet not not offend the elements in the Senate who believe the United States ought never to put its approval on any part of the agreement negotiated at Versailles by President Wilson.

Whether there is an alternative is yet to be determined. Mr. Hughes is

searching precedents and considering new devices of law. He himself believes America's rights will never be as well safeguarded as they would be under the Versailles pact, and would so hold if he could have his way, but he is endeavoring to do for Mr. Harding what any able lawyer would do for his client—find a way to meet not only the external difficulties of an international character, but the international character, but the international character, but the international may impede ratification in the Senate.

There is one alternative being considered which may or may not be effective. It is so novel that its effects cannot immediately be conjectured. It involves making a separate treaty searching precedents and considering By the Associated Press.

MEXICO CITY, July 13.—All countries whose nationals have suffered damage from Mexican revolutions

Cannot immediately be conjectured. It involves making a separate treaty with Germany, but claiming under such a treaty all the rights and privalence which were given the United States under the Versailles pact. In States under the Versallies pact. In other words, Germany having bestowed upon the United States as one of the principal allied and associated powers certain rights and privileges would now subtract those rights from the Versailles pact so far as they affect the United States and transfer them to a new treaty.

home buyers knew two fares would be required to reach the outlying sections.

This curtailment of suburban development would result in further congestion of living accommodations in the first zone, opponents of the zone system say.

Announcement by the Washington Rallway and Electric Company that it will propose a zone system of fares is expected to bring out a record attendance of citisens at the rate hearing, which opens in the board room of the District building at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

FNCRAVING RIRFAT

The invitation was issued in the form of a presidential decree promulgated last night, and it will be sent to all interested nations by the forcign office.

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Instructions Sent Abroad.

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The foreign secretary's instructions to that treaty—the great provided the consent of the signatories to that trea

terances against military aggression
"were not inspired by regard for
Mexico, but by political motives."

It was said by several senators on
Monday night that a message of
felicitation was already under way to
Senator La Follette. It now appears
that the draft of a note to the senator was signed by only twenty-six
members of the upper house of the
Mexican congress, and had not been
formally adopted by that body.

REGRETS WARSHIPS SAILED.

Mexican Commander in Oil Region

to give the city a certain sum of
money.

The money is paid, but one of the
five members of the group doesn't pay
his share and withdraws from the
transaction. Could he claim that he
is entitled to the right to build a
street railway of his own over the
identical right of way? The city
made the grant of all its rights to the
company as a whole and did not divide its rights among the five individuals, leaving it to them to work
out the share of responsibility and reward. That, in a nutshell, is the prevailing view here.

Means Loss of Rights.

Means Loss of Rights.

Office Total In and Out of District.